

PHASE II

BNCOC is designed upon the premise that students who graduate from the course will be fully capable of performing the duties and responsibilities of the infantry TO&E Squad/Section Leader. The course emphasizes war-fighting skills, combat leadership and the planning and conducting of squad level training. BNCOC students receive additional instruction in Infantry-related skills and administrative responsibilities. Because the course is a Squad/Section Leader level course, the majority of the instruction will be skill level 2/3. The goal of BNCOC is to conduct all training in a Small Group Instruction (SGI) environment. Currently, 95% of the instruction is conducted in this manner. The SGI method is the preferred method because it involves a student to instructor ratio of 12-16 students to one instructor. This equates to increased student participation in the classroom and a closer bonding of students within the group and with their instructor. Additionally, the "TRADOC NCOES MODEL" directs that the students become more involved in the conduct of their training.

Testing: Students will be given only two opportunities to pass either a written exam or a performance-oriented test. All students will be administered the initial exam/test. Students who fail to achieve minimum standards for the exam/test (70% for academic exams and a "GO", as outlined in the task standards, on performance oriented tests) will receive retraining and be given one additional attempt to meet minimum standards. Students who fail to achieve minimum standards on the retest will be recommended for immediate release from the course.

Land Navigation: Certain infantry tasks experience an irrefutable degree of skill decay. Many BNCOC students work out of their PMOS for extended periods of time. It is necessary to verify that BNCOC students have retained sufficient proficiency in these infantry skills commensurate with the responsibility of the infantry TO&E Squad/Section Leader. It is for this reason that these lower skill level tasks are tested. All students will have two opportunities to achieve minimum course standards on a written exam, and a day and night land navigation course. Students who fail to achieve minimum course standards will be recommended for immediate release. Students are not allowed on the Land Navigation course unless authorized. Violators will be considered for elimination from the course.

All uniform items will be serviceable. Personnel selected for attendance will ensure that all items are properly fitted. Students will have access to the local Fort Benning Clothing Sales Store.